SCRANTON, PA., FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 16, 1897.

NEWS OF THE BIG STRIKE

Miners at Navarre and Orders and Judgments Rendered a Camp Creek Have Gone Out.

MASTER SARGENT'S OFFER

Will Give His Personal Assistance to the Cause.

Effect of the Strike on the Coal Trade Generally -- Foreign Coal Begins to Cut Quite a Figure at Pittsburg. The Price of West Virginia Mine Croducts Has Doubled -- Prospects for Settlement.

Pittsburg, July 15.-Foreign coal is beginning to cut quite a figure in the Pittsburg market and the miners' officials recognize the importance. They are, for the time being, satisfied with the small amount of coal that is being dug in the Pittsburg district and from now on will look after what they term

cutside encroachments. Much coal is being sold in the Pittsburg market from the Clearfield and Cambria districts. It is true that it does not come to Pittsburg but goes to fill the contracts made at the great

The men in the Clearfield and Cambria districts are working under the delusion that they are not conflicting with the general suspension," said President Patrick Dolan. "We have arranged a conference with some of the leaders in that section, the time of which I am not at liberty to announce. I am satisfied that we will be able to make them see the error of their ways and join us in this great battle for bread. As far as the Pittsburg district proper is concerned, we have every reason to be satisfied with the situation. I have hopes in yet

being able to get the New York and Cleveland men out." The local officials are manifesting much interest in the situation in West Virginia. Cameron Miller said today that he would be willing to wager that most of the miners of the mountain states would be out before the end of the week. He said there were about 25,000 miners in that state and if the organizers succeeded in getting 15,000 of them out the battle could be considered

AN IMPORTANT FEATURE. An important feature of the local situ-

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ation was the shipment of several hundred employ cars to West Virginia, They will be loaded with coal and sent to the lakes, filling contracts made with Pittsburg operators. The Pittsburg operators claim that they were offered coal from all sections of the country and had to refuse a number of propositions. The prevailing price was \$1.50, a change being noted from the quotations of the day previous. The miners' officers succeeded in

keeping the men employed at the Keeling, Eureka and Waverly mines from going to work today at the 69 cent rate which has been offered to them by their

According to the miners' officials, the operators have closed the company stores all over the district and supplies to men have been cut off. This leaves the miner dependent upon the fruits of forage and charity. In one or two agricultural communities, where the miners are on strike, the farmers have invited the strikers to organize committees and send them with a wagon into the surrounding county to solicit rather than confiscate supplies. The strikers are taking full advantage of this invita-

SARGENT OFFERS ASSISTANCE. Columbus, O., July 15 .- In a letter received by President Ratchford from F. P. Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, Mr. Sargent offers his personal assistance in any manner deemed best by Mr. Ratchford and also suggests a plan for the membership of the organization numbering 30,000 to assist the strikers financially.

Mc sillon, O., July 15.-The miners employed at the Standard mine at Navarre have joined the strikers. The Camp Creek miners have also gone

Cleveland, O., July 15,-The price of West Virginia run of mine is now \$3 per ton on track here. It was \$1.50 prior to the strike.

RAILROAD BOOM.

New York and Susquehanna Picking Up, According to Reports.

New York, July 15.—The Evening Post says: Reports were put out in Wall street this afternoon that John C. Calhoun and F. H. Prince, of Boston, we're arranging for the placing of considerable foreign money in the New York, Sus-quehanna and Western property, and that they contemplated an extension of the line via the Beech Creek rallroad to the officer districts in Western Zonnach soft coal districts in Western Pennsylva-nia. On the authority of one who is ex-cellently posted in the affairs of the Susquehanna and Western these statement may be taken as very doubtful, and in all probability very far from the truth. Furthermore, it may be said that the Beech Creek line is controlled by Van-cerbilt and Lackawanna interests, while the expected denouement in Susquehauna and Western affairs is expected to come

OF INTEREST TO MINERS.

Bills Approved by Covernor Hastings Yesterday.

Harrisburg, July 15,-Among bills approved by the governor today were the

Creating a state bureau of mining in cor section with the tepartment of in-ternal affairs; authorizing the transfer of wholesale or retail figuor floonses from one person to another and from one place tion were raised six to another; providing for the weighing of unprecedented record.

coal as it comes from the miners, and be-fore screening; to protect the lives and limbs of miners from the danger resulting from incompetent miners in the an-thracite regions, and to provide for the examination of persons seeking employ ment as miners in the anthracite region

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

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Philadelphia, July 15.—Among the orders and judgments rendered by the supreme court today were the following:

Freedman vs. Providence, etc., Insurance company, C. P., Bradford, January term, '97. Judgment affirmed. Lidia E. Kelley, et al., vs. Rachuel Kelley, C. P. Luzerne county. Judgment

helow reversed and judgment is now en-tered in favor of plaintiffs and against defendants for the undivided one-half of the land described in the writ. Glies H. Boyd vs. the American Car-bon Brick company et al., C. P. McKean. Recree reversed. Edmund Gumser vs. Pardon T. Barber. P., Lackawanna county, Judgment re-

versed and venire facias de novo awarded. Frank Smith, sheriff, vs. Altoona and Phillipsburg Connecting Railroad company, C. P., Clearfield county, Judgment affirmed. Anthony Mullen vs. the Union Central Life Insurance company, Appellant, C. P., Luzerne county, Judgment reversed and

OMAHA SELECTED.

venire facias de povo awarded.

It Will Be the Next Meeting Place for the National Republican League.

Struggle for Recognition at Detroit. Detroit, July 15.—There was lots of talk mong the National Republican league delegates over the selection of remaining officers and the next place of meeting. The newly elected president, Mr. Crawford, called the convention to order. Following this the list of vice presidents was read. Mahlon D. Young, of

Philadelphia, was named from Pennsyl-Nominations for secretary were then in order. W. R. Payne, in a vigorous and semewhat sensational speech presented the name of Ora E. Chapin, of Chicago, during which he said: "Chicago is not asking for the convention for next year. and the Chicago press is not asking for it; but there are some men here, paid emissaries, who want to make some money out of it. John R. Tanner can't place me under the lash; he can remain, if he will, the arch enemy of the Mc-

Kinley administration; he can't lash me into line." The names of Fred J. Blakely, of Michigan, and Michael J. Dowling, the pres-ent secretary, were presented. President Dingley, of Michigan, seconded Dowling's nomination, indicating by this dissatis-faction in the state delegation at Blakely's candidacy. When the vote was con

cluded Dowling's election was announced. Frank J. Higgirs, of New Jersey, was chosen treasurer. The friends of Omaha, Baltimore, Chicago and Dallas, then address the concago and Danas, then address the convention in favor of their respective choice for the next place of meeting.

C. J. Green, of Omaha, spoke fervently in support of Omaha, He said anarchy has for years run riot in Nebraska, and

if the convention would come to Omaha t would do much to win the state back.
D. H. Atwell, of Texas, said the only way to get the proceedings before the people of his state would be to hold the next convention in Dallas. State Senator Hamilton, of Chicago, said

his delegation would be happy to see the next convention in Chicago, but these conventions should be so controlled that out of them should come the "sinews of war." He moved that the whole subject be referred to the executive committee for determination.

After further disorderly discussion, dur-ing which three-quarters of the delegates were on their feet, a motion to table the motion to refer the question of conven-tion place to the executive committee prevailed, against a chorus of protests from Illinois, reinforced by many other dele-

The roll of states was then called and the result of the ballot gave the conven-tion to Omaha. On the roll call Balti-more and Chicago both received substantial support, but before the announ ment of the vote the states were clamor-ing for a chance to swing into line for Omaha. A motion that the secretary cast the entire vote of the convention for the Nebraska city prevailed. The Maryland men angrily demanded the announcement of the result of the ballot. The secretary announced the vote as follows:
Dallas, 75; Chicago, 188; Baltimore, 240;
Omaha, 1,097.

Then on motion of Marcus Pollaskey, and in the midst of a scene of wild disorder, the convention adjourned.

BRIGHT TRADE PROSPECTS

An English Financier's Views of the Outlook Here and Abroad -- Gold and the Crops.

London, July 15.—At the meeting of the London Joint Stock bank today, the chairman, referring to gold movements, said that Japan had lately imported \$5. 000,000 in order to make the gold standard effective, while America had retained most of the bullion shipped during the last half of 1896. The harvest prospects of both countries he describes as very promising, while the crops nearer home were less favorable and the gold ship-ments from New York were not likely to be large.

The outlook for trade generally was now more promising. There were evi-dences of a gradual improvement in the United States, he declared, and if the currency question could be settled and the engineering dispute arranged the United States and England might speciily enjoy better times,

HOWARD C. BENHAM'S TRIAL.

Defendant's Mother Continues Her

Testimony in His Favor. Batavia, N. Y., July 15.—In the trial of Howard C. Benham, accused of poison-ing his wife, Mrs. Benham, the defend-ant's mother, testified today that her daughter-in-law always complained of being sick, and during the last few months of her life she was in a state verging

upon collapse.

The witness said she had found in the bathroom of her son's house a bottle of carbolic acid and some boxes containing white powders. There was no froth about the mouth of the dead woman after death, the mother declared.

Browery Raided.

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Trenton. N. J., July 15.—United States Revenue Agent Spalding, of Philadelphia, and a numbers of deputies came here this afternoon and made a raid on the brewery of Fraix Hill. There is a suspicion that the revenue laws were being violated. Attached to the brewery is a saloon which Hill operates, where beer is taken from kegs which have not been properly stamped.

properly stamped, Rain-Swelled Lakes.

Saratoga, July 15.—So heavy was the rain fail during the twenty-four hours ending last night that Saratoga Lake, Lake George and other lakes in this sec-Lake George and other lakes in this sec-tion were raised six inches. This is an

SALT LAKE CITY

The Boy Orator Talks to the Trans-Mississippi Congress.

HE HAS FAITH IN THE FAR WEST

Also Believes That Water Would Be Good for Democrats of the Rockies. cess just as he was about to abandon the At the Close of His Speech the Orator Is Presented with a Magnificent Bouquet, and the Regular Business of the Congress Is Resumed.

Salt Lake, Utah, July 15,-The Trans-Mississippi congress was called to order today with a large audience in the galleries and the delegates' seats well filled. The large attendance was due to the fact that Hon. W. J. Bryan, president of the congress, was expected to be present. Resolutions were introduced by Keller, of North Dakota, favoring the government taking control of the Union and Central Pacific

railways. The regular order of the day, mines and mining, was then taken up. Tirey L. Ford, of California, read a lengthy paper on the "Necessity of Establishing a Department of Mines and Mining." At this point William J. Bryan entered the hall and was greeted with the Black, of Caliwildest enthusiasm. fornia, moved that three cheers be given for Mr. Bryan, which the latter

said was out of order, but the cheers were given nevertheless. Mr. Bryan in taking the chair said he was fully in accord with the movements of the congress which represented a great empire in the west. There were numerous matters in which this section was peculiarly interested. One of the reasons why the congress had met here was for an interchange of views on these matters. Another reason was that the Trans-Mississippi states were a part of this great nation and interested in everything of national importance. They had a right to secure everything which would tend to their advancement but did not desire to do so at the expense of any other part of the country. The more he travelled over this vast region the greater t seemed.

MEDICINE FOR DEMOCRATS. Touching upon irrigation he indulged n a little pleasantry by saying that Democrats had found out that water was very important, especially in this

part of the country.

He felt more and more hopeful of the future of this western country and it was not beyond the range of possibilities to see millions of people living it. the fertile valleys of the west. Mr. Bryan concluded by saying: "We will rear a people in the great west that will stand for American lib-

erty and American progress."

Mrs. Warren, a delegate from Colorado, and the regular order of business was again taken up.

WEYLER'S SENSATION.

Havana on a Charge of Selling of which she was a member, waive all restrictions, Miss Ryan gave up her religion and joined St. Paul's Episcopal church, of which Dr. Cadwallader is a New York, July 15.-A Havana special o the Sun says: Havana is in the great-

st state of excitement that has existed

tere since the war began. Eighty rich spanish merchants and bankers were ar-

ested here today accused of selling merchanidse and medicines to the Cuban pa-triots. Those under arrest include prominent members of the Union Constitutional party, and men who is e held im-portant official positions. Among them are: Don Antonio Quesada, ex-mayor of the city of Havana; Jose Sarra, a millionaire druggist; Johnson, another wealthy druggist and a professor at the univers-ity; Senores Lortdo, Torralbas, Marinas, Benito Alvarez, Villaverde, the brothers Castro, Ramon Arguelles, president of the Havana railroad, Alebrto de Ximeno, manager of the same railroad, and others. Senor Arguelles' capital is estimated at \$12,000,000. All the other persons arrested represent together probably over \$20,000,-000. It is said, also, that the wealthy Spanish banker, Don Luciano Ruiz, who has important relations with New York and London, is compromised in the af-fair. It is said by the friends of the arrested men that the whole business is blackmail and that the chief of police, Senor Labarrera, has informed the pris-oners that they will be released and no further proceedings will be taken if the sum of \$100,000 be paid.

CHATTANOOGA CONVENTION.

Seventh Gathering of the Baptist Young People's Union.

Chattanooga, Tenn., July 15.—The seventh international convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America began in this city today with about four thousand delegates and some of the most prominent Baptist leaders in the country present. The weather is cool and pleas ant and everything points to one of the most successful meetings ever held by the union.

The convention was opened with a short song service. The immense audience joised enthusiastically with the choir in the singing and a great wave of inspir-ing harmony floated through the build-ing. President Chapman delivered the opening address and Dr. H. W. Reed, recording secretary, announced the stand-ing committees and leaders of important tepics for each state represented in the

business of the convention was then proceeded with.

JAM IN THE KENNEBEC.

Logs Threaten a Railroad Bridge at Madison, Maine.

Madison, Me., July 15.-Two days of ontinuous heavy rain raised the Kennebec river to freshet height and the booms of the Manufacturing Investment com-pany broke last night, and today logs are piled up against the railroad bridge here to an extent that threatens the struc-

The booms held about 15,000,000 feet of logs, many of which have gone rushing lown stream. The river has backed up piled full of logs so that travel is impossible in some sections. The loss will be heavy. The river drivers have sus-pended operations until the jam is cleared.

MISS GRACE STEVENSON FOUND.

Kentucky Newspaper Man Locates the

Missing Boston Heiress. Lexington, Ky., July 15.—Miss Grace Stevenson, daughter of James Stevenson, the Boston millionaire real estate broker,

who disappeared April 25, and for whose discovery a reward of \$5,000 was offered by her father, has been located in a boarding house in this city.

It having been asserted that she had to this city, the newspaper man armed with a photograph, sent from Bos-ton, made a tour of the leading hotels

search. Miss Stevenson reluctantly admitted he identity, and raid she left home because of the estrangement between her fathe and mother, who have lived apart for some time. She said that from Boston she went to Kansas City, and thence to Cincinnati, from which city she came here on July 3. She kept her presence here as quiet as possible, so as to avoid pos-sible recognition. She admitted that neither of her parents knew of her where-

SPAIN AND JAPAN UNITE.

They Have Formed an Alliance for the Purpose of Rescuing Cuba and

Hawaii from the United States. London, July 15 .- A dispatch from Paris to a news agency here says that inquiry at the American embassy there has elic-ited a confirmation of the rumor that the governments of Spain and Japan have arranged an offensive alliance against the

United States. The terms of the understanding, which is for the mutual protection of Cuba and Hawaii, provide that in the event of an actively aggressive movement on the part of the United States tending toward in-terference in Cuban affairs or persistterrerence in Cuban alrairs or persistence in the annexation of the Hawaiian islands, both Spain and Japan shall declare war simultaneously against the United States and shall make hostile demonstrations along both the Atlantic and Pacific coast lines of that country.

Washington, July 15.—Little credence is placed in official circles here in the state.

placed in official circles here in the state-ment that the Spanish and the Japanese governments have entered into an offensive alliance against the United States for the mutual protection of Cuba and Hawaii. Indeed, so far as could be learned tonight no intimation of such an agree ment has even reached the state depart-ment. Secretary Sherman was indisposed when a reporter called at his house in regard to the matter, but Mr. Day, the first assistant secretary, discredited the report and regarded it as too improbable to discuss. "The state department has in-formation concerning the reported alli-ance," he said, "and I don't believe there is any foundation for the statement that ne has been entered into."

Both the Spanish and the Japanese

GAVE UP HER RELIGION.

ministers are away from the city.

Miss Bridget Mary Ryan Leaves the Republicans in the house, Roman Catholic Church to Marry Dr. Cadwallader.

Philadelphia, July 15.-Dr. C. E. Cadwallader, at the head of one of Philadel- against the Union Pacific railroad finphia's oldest and most exclusive families. After the speech Mr. Bryan was pre-was married this afternoon in St. Paul's sented with a magnificent bouquet by Episcopal church to Bridget Mary Ryan,

his former housemaid.

The marriage caused quite a sensation in society circles in this city. The bride came to this country five years ago from Tipperary, Ireland, and three years later entered the doctor's employ as housemaid, The doctor took more than an employ-er's interest in the fair Irish girl, and Arrests Eighty Prominent Citizens of lady accepted, and, after vainly e

> vestryman. Dr. Charles E. Cadwallader is a debr. Charles E. Cadwallader is a de-scendant of the famous John Cadwal-lader, the emigrant, who arrived in America in 1697, a Cadwallader whose genealogy is replete with fame and exclusiveness, whose treasured genealogical sheepskin, with iton rampant, contains the names of Lord and Lady Ers-kine, General John Cadwallader, of kine. revoluntary fame; the Welsh Cadwalladers, who fought against Saladin

under Coeur de Lion; Dr. Thomas Cadwallader, who, with Franklin, founded libraries and was prominent in early Philadelphia. The bride comes of poor, but respect-able Irish parents. She is 21 years of age, her distinguished husband has while

The couple left on a brief wedding trip tonight.

INSPECTOR CAMPBELL ACTIVE.

Will Enforce the Law Regulating Manufacture of Flour and Meal.

Pittsburg, July 15.—State Factory In-spector James Campbell arrived in Pittsourg this morning and will remain for the next two weeks. He is here to en-force the new law regulating the manu-facture of flour and meal products. This law was enacted through the influence of the journeymen bakers' organizations in the state, and the duty of enforcing it was imposed on the factory inspector and

his assistants.

A consultation was held during the day with Superintendent Crosby Gray, of the Pittsburg bureau of health, and plans were perfected for prosecuting the work.

SOME NEWS BOILED DOWN.

Gophers have destroyed a \$10,000 canal at Oklahoma City. Billy Bryan is going to Mexico to study the silver question. It is charged that unpaid Spanish sol-diers in Cuba are selling guns and am-

munition to the insurgents. The woman suffrage bill which lately passed the commons has been withdrawn from the English parliament. Rather than break stones on the streets every woman in jail at Kansas City, Kan., paid her fine and got out.

Frederick Kirn tried to ascend Mt. Hood, near Portland, Ore., without a guide, and fell to death over a 400-foot precipice Thinking it was licorice powder Miss Ellen Mullen, of New Brunswick, N. J., drank hellebore in water but will re Mary Grubb, of Wilmington, Del., was attacked on the street by an infurlated cow, which tore her clothing off and

nearly killed her. While descending a hill in Norway on a whoel Lieutenant Hahnke, chum of Germany's Kaiser, lost control of the bicycle and was drowned.

A trial of two Holman friction-geared

engines on the South Jersey railroad to-day is expected to develop a sustained speed of 100 miles an hour. For daring to go with another woman, Daniel Melsenhelder, a York, Pa., butcher, was shot by Alice Smith but not killed.

Daniel refuses to prosecute.
It is reported from Vienna that a European conference will be convoked either be heavy. The river drivers have suspended operations until the jam is cleared.

Councillor Von Preyer Dead.

Berlin, July 15.—The death is announced at Wiesbaden of Privy Councillor Dr. von

Breyer.

Bear conference will be convoked either at Vionna or Berlin to discuss measures against the United States tariff policy. Violet Foster Clowes, having failed as an actress and being too proud to descend to vice, at Ocean Beach, Calif., tied sand in her skirts and jumped off the deck.

SUGAR IS NOW THE ONLY OBSTACLE

Other Important Differences on the Tariff Have Been Adjusted.

IT IS HARD TO PREDICT THE END

enators Have Offered Some Concessions, but the House Members of the Conference Hold Out Stiffly for the Diugley Schedule.

Washington, July 15 .- When the conerees on the tariff bill came from the committee room for the mid-day reess today, they were apparently as far as ever from an agreement on the one important matter which is now the sole cause of delay. Two days ago there were several important matters of disagreement in the bill to be adjusted. Since that time all of these, except sugar, has been, at least, tenta-tively disposed of. This afternoon it was said that an agreement between the house and senate Republican conferees might be reached in a few days and it might not be accomplished for a week. The author of this statement also said that after the sugar question is disposed of, the Democratic members of the conference committee will be called in within an hour. The lesser questions have been passed through the sieve of the conference and

the largest lump of all, the sugar question, alone remains. It is apparently impossible to learn what are the terms of compromise discussed in the conference, but it is known that the house conferees are by

far the less inclined to relent. The senate members have offered to yield some points, reserving the onetenth of a cent per pound on low-grade raw sugars, but the house members are inclined to listen to nothing but unqualified acceptance of the original Dingley schedule. A member of the ways and means committee said today: The house conferees are doing just right to insist on their schedule. They know what they are doing. They know and all the leading Republicans of the house know-how hard it will be to get any other schedule through the lower branch of congress. If the senate conferees realized the facts of the situation, as we do, they might be more inclined to yield."

It is said that the well-known insistence of Speaker Reed on the Dingley sugar schedule is based not so much on objections to the senate schedule, judged on its merits or demerits, as on a recognition of the dire necessities of the case, owing to the attitude of many

Pacific railway affairs occupied the attention of the whole senate throughout and the Harris resolution relating to the pending judicial proceedings ally went over until tomorrow.

the San Pedro, Cala., deep water har-

The joint resolution was passed accepting the invitation of France to participate in the Paris exposition of 1900.

WOOL IN A TANGLE.

The tariff conference committee made the discovery today that there would be still further difficulty in arranging the wool schedule on account of the objections of the carpet manufacturers. It appears that while the makers of the more expensive grades of carpets gave their assent to the compromise of four and eight cents arranged yesterday, the makers of the cheaper carpets are not pleased, and ask that the rate on the lower grades of wool be reduced to three cents. The wool men are not willing to concede this demand. The worsted manufacturers are also making trouble over the senate amendment putting a double duty on wool of the second class which may have been washed. Heretofore there has been no additional duty on the washed article, and it is claimed that the change will work a material

hardship. The Democratic side of the chamber is somewhat disturbed over the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Harris. "I fear," said Senator Jones, of Arkansas, today, in discussing the question, "that the vacancy may, if not filled before that time, occasion no little embarrassment when we reach the vote on the conference report. It will be remembered that some of the articles on which we succeeded in reducing the rate of duty, as on white pine lumber and on some which we succeeded in putting on the free list, we had a majority of only one vote Some of these articles, as burlaps, cotton ties, paris green, etc., are of immense importance to the farmers and be regretable indeed from our standpoint if the absence of a Domocratic senator from Tennessee should to lose any of them by giving the deciding vote to the vice president.

TURKEY MAY YIELD.

Prospect of a Reply That Will Be Satisfactory to the Powers .- Tewfik Pasha's Statement.

Constantinople, July 15. - Yesterday Tewfik Pash, who is conducting the peace negotiations on behalf of the Turkish government, informed the ambassadors of the powers that he hoped the council of ministers would make a reply to the col-lective note that would prove satisfactory, and that this would be presented this (Thursday) evening. His assurance gives rise to the hope that Turkey will mply with the demands of the powers, The weather is causing widespread disease among the Turks in Thessaly. The Porte relterates its intention to send preparations for transport vessels.

THEODORE DURRANT'S CASE.

An Uncle of Blanche Lamont Visit the Coudemned Man.

San Francisco, July 15 .- Rev. Hugh Lamont, uncle of Blanche Lamont, for whose murder Theodore Durrant has been sentenced to death, has visited Durrant at the San Quentin prison. Speaking of his visit Mr. Lamont said: "Judging from the evidence, I telieve Durrant guilty, but his demeaner is that of an innocent man. I had no intention of making public what occurred between us, but in justice to that unhappy boy I have

changed my mind. During the conversa-tion I said: I believe in your guilt, but if you are an innocent man the evidence will soon be forthcoming.' Durrant re-plied that he was an innocent man and that he hoped that his innocence would be proved before his death, but at any rate after the execution."

BAD NEGRO CAPTURED.

Joseph Fife Is Charged with Attempts at Serious Crime.

Richmond, Va., July 15.—The police this norning captured Joseph H. Fife,a negro, morning captured Joseph H. Fife, a negro, 20 years old, on suspicion of having attempted to assault two white women yesterday. In the morning a negro went to the house of Mrs. W. V. Marks, of East Franklin street, and finding her alone tried to assault her. She fought him desperately and the noise of several children in an adjoining yard frightened him away.

Later in the day Miss Nina Russell, of Norfolk, who is on a visit here, was at-tacked by a negro on Chestnut Hill and her screams frightened him off. This morning both women identified Fife, though he makes a denial. He is in jail and will be brought before a special

WANTS INFORMATION.

grand jury tomorrow.

Governor Hastings Inquires Into the Condition of the Charitable Institutions of Pennsylvania.

Harrisburg, July 15.—The state board of charities filed a statement with Governor Hastings tonight that it had examined with great care the question of reducing the appropriations for mainten-ance to a list of institutions submitted to the board by the executive. In some cases the appropriations to these institutions have been increased and in others the appropriations are new. The board reports that the various state institutions could, by the exercise of the strongest, economy, get along for the next two years without serious injury to them with five per cent, less than what has been given to them, with the exception of the Harrisburg in ane hospital. The appro-priation for building in this case should not be disturbed because of the danger-ous condition of certain buildings.

The particular institutions about which he governor desired information follows: Bethseda hospital, Fittsburg; West Side hospital, Scranton; Mahanoy City hospital, Hospital for Incurables, Philadelphia; Titusville hospital, Phoenixville hospital, St. John's hospital, Allegheny; Temporary Home for Children, Allegheny; Rush Hospital for Consumptives, Philadelphia; Oil City hospital, Epileptic hospital and Colony Farm, Philadelphia; Almira home, New Castle; Medico-Chir-urgical hospital, Philadelphia; Eye and Ear hospital, Pittsburg; Allentown hospital, Easton hospital, Girls' Training school, Williamsport; Home for Friend-less, Williamsport; Williamsport hospital, Butler hospital, Frederick Douglass hos-pital, Philadelphia.

FOR BIMETALLISM

It Is Reported That an International Conference Will Be Held .- A Proposal to Great Britain.

London, July 15 .- A joint proposal of bl-Early in the day Senators Stewart metallism was presented today on beand White indulged in sharp personalities in connection with the contest over a conference held at the foreign office. will load its cannon on the train Fribetween Baron de Courcel, the French ambassador, Ambassador Hay, Senator Wolcott, former Vice President Stevenson and General Paine, representing the United States, Lord Sallisbury, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the Exchequer, and A. J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury, representing England, and Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, representing India, The proposals, after some discussion, were taken under advisement, and the British cabinet will give its answer at a subse-

> It is reported this evening that an international conference will be summoned, probably to meet in the United States. with Great Britain participating. All the delegates will be uninstructed with regard to the ratio, although it is well known, of course, that the United States favors 16 and France 151/2.

quent ocnference.

According to today's report, England's participation would mean India's, and there is a prospect of some concessions as to the Bank of England's reserve and silver certificates,

French Gunner Killed.

St. Johns, N. F., July 15 .- During the celebration of the anniversary of the Fail of the Bastile at St. Pierre yesterday, Engineer Lerecque, while firing a salute placed a charge of powder in a cannon that had just been fired. The cannon discharged and Lerecque was killed. His Company B made the highest company will receive a pension from the

French government. Dry Goods House Fails.

Altoona, Pa., July 15 .- The Altoona retail dry goods house of Cook, Salmond & evening on executions aggregating 257, 000 in favor of L. W. Cook, of Williams-port, father of Frank and George Cook, members of the firm. The stock in the

store is worth about \$110,000. Due to Senate's Action.

Bethlehem, Pa., July 15.-About twenty-five men who were engaged in preparation for work on a contract for armoplate at the government works were laid off yesterday and today. This is said to have been due to the action of the senate yesterday, fixing the price of armor plate at \$300 per ton.

Peary Cooling Off at Boston. Boston, July 15.—Lieutenant R. E. Peary, the Arctic explorer, arrived in this city today and will proceed at once to make preparations for his departure for Greenland where he is to establish a base of supplies for a prospective trip to the North Pole in 1899.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today:

Telegraph-Strike is Gaining in Propor-Thirteenth Wins the Brigade Rifle Match Billy Bryan Has Faith in the Great

Fair: Warmer.

Conferees on the Tariff Bill Agree on Everything but Sugar. Sport-Scranton Takes a Game from

Eastern, National and Atlantic League Local-Keogh Has No Trouble in Dis-tancing Clearwater at Pool. Reunion of Loyal Temperance Legion. Editorial-Proper Lines of National

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LAST DAYS OF THE CAMP

Regiment Will Begin to Move Early Saturday Morning.

HAS WON ANOTHER VICTORY

Thirteenth's Showing in Brigade Rifle Match.

The Final Score of the Riflemen of That Regiment Was 1,399 as Against 1,161 Made by the Twelfth Regiment Shooters, Who Had the Next Best Score -- C. Bow Dougherty Elected Colonel of the Ninth Regiment to Succeed Colonel Price, Resigned -- Notes of Camp Life.

By Associated Prers.

Mount Gretna, July 15 .- The last day but one of the camp of the Third brigade was pleasantly spent. There were many visitors and the weather was just right. The day was taken up with drills. Before the residents of the Chautauqua and camp meeting grounds were out of bed Battery C came out and the booming of the cannon could be heard two miles away. Then the Governor's troop came out and at 8.20 there was company and battalion drill.

parade. The officer of the day was Lieutenant Colonel C. T. O'Neill, of the Fourth regiment. The officer of the guard was Lieutenant C. W. Hellhecker, of Company B, Ninth regiment. The reports showed 2,711 men present for duty and 15 sick. There are 40 men absent, five of them without leave. General Gobin, who had an attack of asthma Tuesday night, and who had

to give the command of the brigade to

In the afternoon there was regimen-

tal drill, followed at 6 o'clock by dress

Colonel Magee at dress parade last evening, is better today and drove to the rifle range this morning where he watched the volley firing. Major Moyer, the brigade quartermaster, announces that the commands shall move in the following order on Saturday morning after camp is broken: Ninth and Thirteenth at 8 o'clock; Twelfth regiment at 9 o'clock: Fourth and Eighth at 11 o'clock. Battery

day evening and will leave at 10 o'clock

troop will march to Harrisburg and

can leave any time Saturday morning.

The Governor's

Brigade headquarters will not close until all the men are out of camp.

Saturday morning.

STILL ANOTHER VICTORY. Special to the Scranton Tribune Camp Lewis Merrill, Mt. Gretna, July 15.-Another victory today. The week has been one of contests, and every-

thing has roosted on the silver trophy over the colors of the Thirteenth. This morning Companies A, Second battalion, and Company G, First battalion, represented the Thirteenth in the brigade match against the two best companies from the other four regiments. Captain Dimmick and Captain McCausland respectively were in command. The match was shot at the Mt. Gretna range two miles from camp,

Colonel Miner, inspector general, being in charge. The Thirteenth's final score was 1,399, against the next best score of 1,161 made by the Twelfth regiment shooters. The Ninth was lowest with 680 points.

score of the Brigade. The scores made will be included and made a part of the regimental ratings. This is the final event of camp. The orders for breaking camp have not been issued as yet. Dress parade

this evening was witnessed by the larg-

est crowd yet. Private Envervagt of Company E, fell from the ranks from sunstroke, it was but temporal. In camp Wednesday things were quiet. Even F street was ssleep. The boys seam to have spent

Thirteenth boys have taken the Pittsburg scare as an excuse for soliciting the "old folks" for more powder. THAT PITTSBURG SCARE.

their powder or something. Whatever

it may be it is a fact that some of the

In regard to the scare it may be repeated that the brigade is ready. A well founded story is going the rounds that the several colonels have been given orders to "be ready for Pittsburg at a moment's notice." thought that if trouble does break out Governor Hastings will give an exhibition of how quickly the guards can be transferred to the place of trouble. The order to be ready effects not the military department but more particularly the commissary and advance work that would be necessary. The latest is that the brigade will be held here until Wednesday of next week. No orders to this effect have been issued and nothing but denial comes from headquar-

Where the governor's quarters once stood is what seems a hole. The tents have been taken down and shipped to Birney. Today was quietly spent. The regular morning drills were dispensed with and in the afternoon at 4.30 o'clock there was a battalion drill. In the evening the regular dress parade was held. At the election of officers of the Ninth regiment C. Bow Dougherty was elevated from the lieutenant-colonelship to the colonelship, vice Colonel Price, resigned. Major Wallace was elected lieutenant-colonel, and Captain

Frank L. McKee, M. D., was elected major. The election was without any opposition. Colonel Coursen and Adjutant Mattes conducted the election. Colonel Dougherty has a magnetic military

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